(b) The management of the Delhi Cloth Mills had applied to the Lt. Governor of Delhi seeking permission for closure under Section 25(U) of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 which was refused.

The re-development scheme submitted by the Delhi Cloth Mills management was found to be feasible by the Delhi Development Authority in 1983. However, in 1986 the Authority re-considered the whole matter and revoked its earlier decision. This decision was challenged in the Delhi High Court by the DCM management which has revoked the 1986 decision of the Authority and the earlier resolution has been restored. The Delhi Development Authority is filing a Special Leave Petition in the Supreme Court of India against the judgement of the Delhi High Court.

Development Board in Maharashtra

1744. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra Government had recommended to the Central Government for the constitution of a Development Board each for Vidarbha, Marathwada and rest of Maharashtra through a Presidential Order under Article 371(2) of the Constiution; and

(b) if so, what is the present position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) The Maharashtra State Legislature had passed a resolution in 1984 urging the establishment of Development Boards for Vidarbha, Marathwada and the rest of Maharashtra.

(b) The matter is under consideration in consultation with the Government of Maharashtra.

Exploitation of Indian workers going to Saudi Arabia and Gulf countries for employment

1745. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the exploitation and miseries of the Indian workers who go to Saudi Arabia and other Gulf countries for employment; and

(b) if so, what action is being taken by Government to check the activities of the unscrupulous contractors who exploit these poor workers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Some such cases have come to the notice of Government. As per the provisions of Emigration Act, 1983 exploitation of emigrants workers is a cognizable offence. On receipt of complaints, enquiries are conducted & suitable departmental/legal action is taken against the unscrupulous agents. So far recruiting certificates of 9 recruiting agencies have been cancelled and suspended in respect of 25. Wide publicity through Radio spots, Television quickies is being given by the Government to alert the intending emigrants so as to prevent their exploitation.

Development of tourist sports in Andhra Pradesh

1746. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA:
SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have prepared any scheme for the development of tourist spots in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Development of tourism infrastructure is a continuous process. Ministry of Tourism takes up schemes at tourist centres on the basis of proposals received from the State Governments, merits of the proposal, availiability of funds and *interse* priorities. During the Seventh Five Year Plan, the following projects have been taken up in the Central Sector for promotion of tourism in Andhra Pradesh:

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of the Project	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
	1985-86		
1	Provision of boats for Hussainsagar, Ramappa & Pakhal Lakes	5·30	4·75
2	Wayside facilities with accommodation at Lepakshi	16·48	4·00
3	Construction of cafeteria with accommodation at Nagarjunasagar	23·70	5·00
4	Additional accommodation at Pakhal	2·33	1·50
5	Cottages at Rishikonda	20·80	5·00
6	Additional accommodation at Ramappa	20·80	5·00
7	Yatri Niwas at Hyderabad	25·29	10·00
8	Sound & Light Show at Golconda Fort	49·40	20·00
9	Master Plan for Golconda	3·12	0·75

The following proposals have provisionally been approved subject to completion of certain formalities :

1. Cottage complex at Pulicat Lake
2. Water Sports at Nagarjunasagar
3. Water Sports of Bhavanipura island near Vijayawada.
4. Water Sports at Rishikonda
5. Floodlighting of Lepakshi Temple, Hyderabad

Rise in the prices of yarn

1747. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the last six months prices of 40s yarn have shot up by over 50 per cent from Rs. 38 to Rs. 54 per kg;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a further rise in the prices of yarn is expected which will lead to speculative activity and shortage of yarn for knitted garments, affecting adversely their export; and

(c) if so, what measures are being taken by Government to remedy the situation so that the export of garments is not affected?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) According